SEP 2002

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231
WWW.usplo.gov

Michael McCormack 29 Fearnog Shannon, County Clare IRELAND

In re Application of McCormack et al. Application No. 09/890,126 PCT No.: PCT/IE00/00012 Priority Date: 29 January 1999 Int. Filing Date: 28 January 2000 For: Electrical Energy Meter

Dear Mr. McCormack:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 308-6721. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Requests for information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1 (800) 972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

Any further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box PCT, Washington, DC 20231, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the PCT Legal

Office.

Richard Cole
PCT Legal Examiner
PCT Legal Office

George M. Dombroske PCT Legal Examiner PCT Legal Office Tel: (703) 308-6721

Fax: (703) 308-6459

Gregory M. Stone, Esq. Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, LLP Seven Saint Paul Street Baltimore, MD 21202-1626